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3 FPGA-based systems: An SoC design methodology using FPGAs and embedded microprocessors

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In System on Chip (SoC) design, growing design complexity has forced designers to start designs at higher abstraction levels. This paper proposes an SoC design methodology that makes full use of FPGA capabilities. Design modules in different abstraction levels are all combined and run together in an FPGA prototyping system that fully emulates the target SoC. The higher abstraction level design modules run on microprocessors embedded in the FPGAs, while lower-level synthesizable RTL design module ...

Keywords: ASIC, FPGA prototyping, SoC, mixed-level verification

4 [The Transmogrifier-2: a 1 million gate rapid prototyping system](#)

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6 [Exploiting FPGA-features during the emulation of a fast reactive embedded system](#)

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7 [Board-level multiterminal net routing for FPGA-based logic emulation](#)

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We consider a board-level routing problem applicable to FPGA-based logic emulation systems such as the Realizer System [Varghese et al. 1993] and the Enterprise Emulation System [Maliniak 1992] manufactured by Quickturn Design Systems. Optimal algorithms have been proposed for the case where all nets are two-terminal nets [Chan and Schlag 1993; Mak and Wong 1995]. We show how multiterminal nets can be handled by decomposition into two-terminal nets. We show that the multiterminal net decomp ...

Keywords: board-level routing, crossbars, field programmable gate arrays, logic emulation, multi-terminal net decomposition

8 [The design of RPM: an FPGA-based multiprocessor emulator](#)

Koray Öner, Luiz A. Barroso, Sasan Iman, Jaeheon Jeong, Krishnan Ramamurthy, Michel Dubois

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Recent advances in Field-Programmable Gate Arrays (FPGA) and programmable interconnects have made it possible to build efficient hardware emulation engines. In addition, improvements in Computer-Aided Design (CAD) tools, mainly in synthesis tools, greatly simplify the design of large circuits. The RPM (Rapid Prototype Engine for Multiprocessors) Project leverages these two technological advances. Its goal is to develop a common hardware platform for th ...

Keywords: field-programmable gate arrays, logic emulation, message-passing multicomputers, rapid prototyping, shared-memory multiprocessors

9 [Wormhole IP over \(connectionless\) ATM](#) 

Manolis G. H. Katevenis, Iakovos Mavroidis, Georgios Sapountzis, Eva Kalyvianaki, Ioannis Mavroidis, Georgios Glykopoulos

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High-speed switches and routers internally operate using fixed-size cells or segments; variable-size packets are segmented and later reassembled. Connectionless ATM was proposed to quickly carry IP packets segmented into cells (AAL5) using a number of hardware-managed ATM VCs. We show that this is analogous to wormhole routing. We modify this architecture to make it applicable to existing ATM equipment: we propose a low-cost, single-input, single-output Wormhole IP Router that functions as a VP/ ...

Keywords: Connectionless ATM, IP over ATM, gigabit router, routing filter, wormhole IP, wormhole routing

10 [On optimal board-level routing for FPGA-based logic emulation](#) 

Wai-Kei Mak, D. F. Wong

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11 [Board-level multi-terminal net routing for FPGA-based logic emulation](#) 

Wai-Kei Mak, D. F. Wong

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We consider a board-level routing problem applicable to FPGA-based logic emulation systems such as the Realizer System [3] and the Enterprise Emulation System [5] manufactured by Quickturn Systems. Optimal algorithms have been proposed for the case where all nets are two-terminal nets [10,11]. In this paper, we show how multi-terminal nets can be handled by decomposition into two-terminal nets. We show that the multi-terminal net decomposition problem can be modelled as a bounded-degree hypergra ...

Keywords: board-level routing, bounded-degree hypergraph-to-graph transformation, FPGA, logic emulation systems, multi-terminal net decomposition net

12 [Prototyping, verification, and test: Implementation of BEE: a real-time large-scale hardware emulation engine](#) 

Chen Chang, Kimmo Kuusilinna, Brian Richards, Robert W. Brodersen

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This paper describes the hardware implementation of a real-time, large-scale, multi-chip FPGA (Field Programmable Gate Array) based emulation engine with a capacity of 10 million ASIC (Application Specific Integrated Circuits) equivalent gates. Attainable system operation frequency can exceed 60 MHz, and the system throughput has been empirically verified to achieve 600 billion 16-bit additions per second. The emulator is custom designed to maximize the performance and resource utilization for a ...

Keywords: FPGA, hardware emulation, rapid-prototyping

13 [Module generation of complex macros for logic-emulation applications](#) 

Wen-Jong Fang, Allen C.-H. Wu, Duan-Ping Chen

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14 [A hybrid complete-graph partial-crossbar routing architecture for multi-FPGA systems](#) 

Mohammed A. S. Khalid, Jonathan Rose

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Multi-FPGA systems (MFSs) are used as custom computing machines, logic emulators and rapid prototyping vehicles. A key aspect of these systems is their programmable routing architecture; the manner in which wires, FPGAs and Field-Programmable Interconnect Devices (FPIDs) are connected. Several routing architectures for MFSs have been proposed [Arno92] [Butt92] [Hauc94] [Apti96] [Vuul96] and previous research has shown that the partial crossbar is one of the best existing architectures [Kim9 ...]

15 [Reconfigurable systems: SmartGlue: an interface controller with auto reconfiguration for field programmable computing machine](#) 

Young-Il Kim, Bong-Il Park, Jae-Gon Lee, Chong-Min Kyung

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This paper describes an interface controller called SmartGlue which enables a processor to interface with peripherals and makes a system reconfigurable by programming FPGA on the fly. By supporting standard interfaces and plug and play mechanism for the processor and FPGA, one can use any type of processors and FPGA's to implement a field programmable computing machine. The performance and utility of the SmartGlue was validated by applying its silicon implementation into a real system.

16 [Software for Reconfigurable Systems: Incremental reconfiguration of multi-FPGA systems](#) 

K. K. Lee, D. F. Wong

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In reconfigurable computing, circuits implemented on multi-FPGA systems have to be incrementally modified. Since reconfiguring an FPGA is time-consuming, the time for reconfiguration depends on the number of FPGAs to be reconfigured. Our objective is to reduce the number of such FPGAs. In this paper, we consider the specific problem of incrementally reconfiguring a multi-FPGA system that utilizes the direct interconnection architecture, where routing connections between FPGAs are to neighbors th ...

17 Poster session 2: A comparison between mask- and field-programmable routing structures on industrial FPGA architectures 

Luca Macchiarulo, Consolato F. Caccamo, Davide Pandini

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In this paper we compare the routing architecture of island-style FPGAs based on field-programmable switch boxes with a mask-programmable routing structure, in order to assess its position in the design space of routing opportunities available to VLSI IC designers. Although the results presented in this work depend on a few implementation details that will be discussed in the paper, the mask-programmable routing structure shows a large area saving and delay improvement with respect to the field- ...

Keywords: FPGA, interconnect architectures, mask-programmable, routing

18 Placement: Hardware-assisted simulated annealing with application for fast FPGA placement 

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To truly exploit FPGAs for rapid turn-around development and prototyping, placement times must be reduced to seconds; late-bound, reconfigurable computing applications may demand placement times as short as microseconds. In this paper, we show how a systolic structure can accelerate placement by assigning one processing element to each possible location for an FPGA LUT from a design netlist. We demonstrate that our technique approaches the same quality point as traditional simulated annealing as ...

Keywords: design automation, field-programmable gate arrays, placement, reconfigurable computing, simulated annealing

19 Multi-terminal net routing for partial crossbar-based multi-FPGA systems 

Abdel Ejnioui, N. Ranganathan

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Keywords: FPGA architecture, FPGA routing, branch-and-price, integer programming, interconnect optimization, layout synthesis

20 Multiway FPGA partitioning by fully exploiting design hierarchy

Wen-Jong Fang, Allen C.-H. Wu

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In this paper, we present a new integrated synthesis and partitioning method for multiple-FPGA applications. Our approach bridges the gap between HDL synthesis and physical partitioning by fully exploiting the design hierarchy. We propose a novel multiple-FPGA synthesis and partitioning method which is performed in three phases: (1) fine-grained synthesis, (2) functional-based clustering, and (3) hierarchical set-covering partitioning. This method first synthesizes a design specification in ...

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1 [Performance-driven placement for dynamically reconfigurable FPGAs](#)

Guang-Ming Wu, Jai-Ming Lin, Yao-Wen Chang

October 2002 **ACM Transactions on Design Automation of Electronic Systems (TODAES)**, Volume 7 Issue 4Full text available: [pdf\(221.44 KB\)](#) Additional Information: [full citation](#), [abstract](#), [references](#), [index terms](#)

In this article, we introduce a new placement problem motivated by the Dynamically Reconfigurable FPGA (DRFPGA) architectures. Unlike traditional placement, the problem for DRFPGs must consider the precedence constraints among logic components. For the placement, we develop an effective metric that can consider wirelength, register requirement, and power consumption simultaneously. With the considerations of the new metric and the precedence constraints, we then present a three-stage scheme of ...

Keywords: Computer-aided design of VLSI, dynamically reconfigurable, field-programmable gate array, layout, placement

2 [Depth optimal incremental mapping for field programmable gate arrays](#)

Jason Cong, Hui Huang

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In this paper, we study the incremental technology mapping problem for lookup-table (LUT) based Field Programmable Gate Arrays (FPGAs) under incremental changes. Given a gate-level networks, a mapping solution associated with it, and a sequence of changes to the original network, we compute a new mapping solution by modifying the existing one.

Moreover, we assume that the given mapping solution is depth-optimal and we are required to come up with a modified mapping solution that maintains t ...

3 [Tools: Incremental physical resynthesis for timing optimization](#)

Peter Suaris, Lungtien Liu, Yuzheng Ding, Nanchi Chou

February 2004 **Proceedings of the 2004 ACM/SIGDA 12th international symposium on Field programmable gate arrays**Full text available: [pdf\(762.18 KB\)](#) Additional Information: [full citation](#), [abstract](#), [references](#), [index terms](#)

This paper presents a new approach to timing optimization for FPGA designs, namely *incremental physical resynthesis*, to answer the challenge of effectively integrating logic and physical optimizations without incurring unmanageable runtime complexity. Unlike previous

approaches to this problem which limit the types of operations and/or architectural features, we take advantage of many architectural characteristics of modern FPGA devices, and utilize many types of optimizations including < ...

Keywords: FPGA, logic synthesis, placement, timing optimization

4 Optimal FPGA module placement with temporal precedence constraints

S. Fekete, E. Köhler, J. Teich

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5 Generating highly-routable sparse crossbars for PLDs

Guy Lemieux, Paul Leventis, David Lewis

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A method for evaluating and constructing sparse crossbars which are both area efficient and highly routable is presented. The evaluation method uses a network flow algorithm to accurately compute the percentage of random test vectors that can be routed. The construction method attempts to maximize the spread of the switch locations, such that any given subset of input wires can connect to as many output wires as possible. Based on Hall's Theorem, we argue that this increases the likelihood ...

6 Innovative Applications: A dynamically reconfigurable adaptive viterbi decoder

Sriram Swaminathan, Russell Tessier, Dennis Goeckel, Wayne Burleson

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The use of error-correcting codes has proven to be an effective way to overcome data corruption in digital communication channels. Although widely-used, the most popular communications decoding algorithm, the Viterbi algorithm, requires an exponential increase in hardware complexity to achieve greater decode accuracy. In this paper, we describe the analysis and implementation of a reduced-complexity decode approach, the adaptive Viterbi algorithm (AVA). Our AVA design is implemented in reconfigu ...

Keywords: FPGA, Viterbi coding, dynamic reconfiguration

7 Compilation techniques for embedded applications: Area-efficient instruction set

synthesis for reconfigurable system-on-chip designs

Philip Brisk, Adam Kaplan, Majid Sarrafzadeh

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Silicon compilers are often used in conjunction with Field Programmable Gate Arrays (FPGAs) to deliver flexibility, fast prototyping, and accelerated time-to-market. Many of these compilers produce hardware that is larger than necessary, as they do not allow instructions to share hardware resources. This study presents an efficient heuristic which transforms a set of custom instructions into a single hardware datapath on which they can execute. Our approach is based on the classic problems of fi ...

Keywords: compiler, field-programmable gate array (FPGA), integer linear programming (ILP), resource sharing

8 Optimality and Stability Study of Timing-Driven Placement Algorithms 

Jason Cong, Michail Romesis, Min Xie

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This work studies the optimality and stability of timing-driven placement algorithms. The contributions of this work include two parts: 1) We develop an algorithm for generating synthetic examples with known optimal delay for timing driven placement (T-PEKO). The examples generated by our algorithm can closely match the characteristics of real circuits. 2) Using these synthetic examples with known optimal solutions, we studied the optimality of several timing-driven placement algorithms for FPGAs by c ...

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Keywords: FPGA, interconnect architectures, mask-programmable, routing

10 New FPGA architectures: Using bus-based connections to improve field-programmable gate array density for implementing datapath circuits 

Andy Ye, Jonathan Rose

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As the logic capacity of Field-Programmable Gate Arrays (FPGAs) increases, they are being increasingly used to implement large arithmetic-intensive applications, which often contain a large proportion of datapath circuits. Since datapath circuits usually consist of regularly structured components (called bit-slices) which are connected together by regularly structured signals (called buses), it is possible to utilize datapath regularity in order to achieve significant area savings through FPGA a ...

Keywords: FPGA architecture, area efficiency, datapath regularity, reconfigurable fabric, routing architecture

11 Combinational logic synthesis for LUT based field programmable gate arrays 

Jason Cong, Yuzheng Ding

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The increasing popularity of the field programmable gate-array (FPGA) technology has generated a great deal of interest in the algorithmic study and tool development for FPGA-specific design automation problems. The most widely used FPGAs are LUT based FPGAs, in which the basic logic element is a K-input one-output lookup-table (LUT) that can implement any Boolean function of up to K variables. This unique feature of the LUT has brought new challenges to lo ...

Keywords: FPGA, area minimization, computer-aided design of VLSI, decomposition, delay minimization, delay modeling, logic optimization, power minimization, programmable logic, routing, simplification, synthesis, system design, technology mapping

12 Security on FPGAs: State-of-the-art implementations and attacks

Thomas Wollinger, Jorge Guajardo, Christof Paar

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In the last decade, it has become apparent that embedded systems are integral parts of our every day lives. The wireless nature of many embedded applications as well as their omnipresence has made the need for security and privacy preserving mechanisms particularly important. Thus, as field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs) become integral parts of embedded systems, it is imperative to consider their security as a whole. This contribution provides a state-of-the-art description of security issues ...

Keywords: Cryptography, FPGA, attacks, cryptographic applications, reconfigurable hardware, reverse engineering, security

13 Architecture analysis and automation: An FPGA architecture with enhanced datapath functionality

Katarzyna Leijten-Nowak, Jef L. van Meerbergen

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Although FPGAs are a cost-efficient alternative for both ASICs and general purpose processors, they still result in designs which are more than an order of magnitude more costly and slower than their equivalents implemented in dedicated logic. This efficiency gap makes FPGAs less suitable for high-volume cost-sensitive applications (e.g. embedded systems). We show that the intrinsic cost of traditional general-purpose FPGAs can be reduced if they are designed to target an application domain or a ...

Keywords: DSP, FPGAs, adder inverting property, application-domain tuning, logic block architectures, symmetry

14 Analysis of FPGA/FPIC switch modules

Yao-Wen Chang, Kai Zhu, Guang-Ming Wu, D. F. Wong, C. K. Wong

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Switch modules are the most important component of the routing resources in

FPGAs/FPICs. Previous works have shown that switch modules with higher routability result in better area performance for practical applications. We consider in this paper an FPGA/FPIC switch-module analysis problem: the inputs consist of a switch-module description and the number of nets required to be routed through the switch module; the question is to determine if there exists a feasible routing for the routing requir ...

Keywords: Computer-aided design of VLSI, FPGA, FPIC, layout, synthesis

15 Fast placement approaches for FPGAs □

Russell Tessier

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Recent trends in FPGA development indicate a strong shift toward design reuse through the use of intellectual property (IP). This design shift has motivated the development of Frontier, a timing-driven FPGA placement system that uses design macroblocks in conjunction with a series of placement algorithms to achieve highly routable and high-performance layouts quickly. In the first stage of design placement, a macro-based floorplanner is used to quickly identify an initial layout based on interma ...

Keywords: Computer-aided design of VLSI, field-programmable gate arrays, layout, synthesis

16 Applications of reconfigurable computing: Dynamic hardware plugins in an FPGA with partial run-time reconfiguration □

Edson L. Horta, John W. Lockwood, David E. Taylor, David Parlour

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Tools and a design methodology have been developed to support partial run-time reconfiguration of FPGA logic on the Field Programmable Port Extender. High-speed Internet packet processing circuits on this platform are implemented as Dynamic Hardware Plugin (DHP) modules that fit within a specific region of an FPGA device. The PARBIT tool has been developed to transform and restructure bitfiles created by standard computer aided design tools into partial bitstreams that program DHPs. The methodolo ...

Keywords: FPG, IP, Internet, hardware, modularity, network, packet, partial RTR, platform computing, reconfiguration, routing

17 Reconfigurable computing: analysis and trends: FPGAs vs. CPUs; trends in peak floating-point performance □

Keith Underwood

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Moore's Law states that the number of transistors on a device doubles every two years; however, it is often (mis)quoted based on its impact on CPU performance. This important corollary of Moore's Law states that improved clock frequency plus improved architecture yields a doubling of CPU performance every 18 months. This paper examines the impact of Moore's Law on the peak floating-point performance of FPGAs. Performance trends for individual operations are analyzed as well as the performance tr ...

Keywords: FPGA, floating point, supercomputing, trends

18 [General technology mapping for field-programmable gate arrays based on lookup tables](#) 

Amit Chowdhary, John P. Hayes

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We present a general technology-mapping methodology (TULIP) for field-programmable gate arrays (FPGAs) that can yield optimal results, and is applicable to any FPGA with a logic block composed of lookup tables (LUTs). We introduce the concept of a virtual switch to model the internal connections of a logic block with multiple LUTs; each configuration of virtual switches is called a multiple-LUT block (MLB). A logic block can be precisely defined by a small but complete set of representative conf ...

Keywords: Basis, circuit partitioning, field-programmable gate arrays, lookup tables (LUTs), mapping, multiple-LUT blocks, nonrooted trees, rooted trees, synthesis

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